Monitoring the activities of flying clubs by DGCA

*339. SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that flying clubs are charging large amounts of money from people for flying training and are taking an undue long time to complete their training; and

(b) whether the DGCA monitors this activity and, if so, what steps are being taken to protect the interests 'of the trainees?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCATING (SHRI . CM. IBRAHIM): (a) No such complaint has been received.

(b) The Directorate General of Civil Aviation is closely monitoring the activities of the flying clubs and is protecting the interests of the trainees by providing subsidy to 31 flying clubs. It also carries out inspections and audit from time to time.

Air accidents in Indian sky

*340. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to be state

(a) the details of aircrafts that met with accident in the Indian sky during last three years;

(b) the number of accidents which occurred on the grounds of airports dur ing the said period;

(c) whether any enquiry has since been initiated in this regard; and

(d) if so, what are the findings thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVAIA-TION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI CM. IBRAHIM): (a) and (b) During the last three years from '1994—97 (till date) a total of 23 aircraft accidents involving Civil aircraft have taken place. Out of these, 15 accidents have taken place at the airports/designated landing places. The details are given in the enclosed Statement. *(See below)*

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. Out of a total of 23 accidents, investigations of 18 accidents have been completed and the findings of these are given in the enclosed Statement *(See below)* Investigation in-the remaining 5 cases are in progress.

Statement

Accident during the last three years from 1994 to 1997 (till date)

SI. No.	Date	Location	Place	Operator/ Aircraft	Findings of the Enquirv
1.	3.3.94	Airport	Lucknow	Govt. Flying Training school Lucknow Pushpak/ VT-DOX	The accident was due to slight swinging of the aircraft while touchdown ont the left wheel, which was further aggravated due to Wrong application of the rudder
2.	8.3.94	Airport	Delhi	Sahara India B-737/ VT-SIA	The accident occurred due to the application of wrong rudder by trainee pilot during engine failure exercise.